



## ***Practical Advice for Preventing Surgical Fires: Safety Strategies from the Front Lines***

**\*Reminder\* Free FDA Webcast**

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**Target Audience:** Everyone involved with hospital or ambulatory center surgical services or facility safety including: Risk Managers, Patient Safety Professionals, Facility Safety Managers, Quality Managers, Chief Operating Officers, Directors of Operating Rooms (OR), OR Staff, Compliance Staff.

**Program Description:** There are an estimated 550 to 650 surgical fires per year in operating rooms in the US. Despite the fact that the root causes of surgical fires are well-understood, surgical fires still occur. Many healthcare organizations have developed tools, implemented strategies, and conducted education and outreach efforts to reduce the risk of fires. During this program, FDA experts will briefly discuss the 'Preventing Surgical Fires' Initiative. Invited hospital staff will share their experiences and protocols used to prevent surgical fires. Surgical Fire prevention recommendations will also be presented.

We are pleased to announce the three hospitals that our invited speakers are representing:

- **UCLA Medical Center**
- **University of Michigan Health System**
- **Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla**

We also welcome our FDA speakers:

- **Cindi Fitzpatrick, BSN**  
*Safe Use Initiative*  
*Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)*
- **Priscilla Callahan-Lyon, MD**  
*Division of Nonprescription Clinical Evaluation (DNCE)*  
*Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)*

Upon completion of this program, participants will:

- Increase their awareness of factors that contribute to surgical fires
- Increase their awareness of FDA's 'Preventing Surgical Fires' efforts
- Learn about three hospitals' experiences and their efforts to prevent surgical fires
- Identify surgical fire prevention tools/mitigating strategies
- Facilitate the adoption of risk reduction practices throughout healthcare community

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**Program agenda will be posted in the following weeks.**

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